

Amendments to the claims:

Please amend claims 1 and 3

Cancel claim 2

1. (Currently Amended) Method for loading computer programs into a memory of a portable memory object having a contactless operating mode, particularly a chip card, from one or more transmitting devices EM1, ..., EMj, ... EMP, p being a whole number, characterized in that [it] the method includes the following steps in which:

- the computer program is divided into n blocks BLK1, ... BLKi, ..., BLKn, n being a whole number greater than 1;
 - a piece of information I(n) indicating the number n of blocks to be loaded is transmitted to the portable object;
 - the blocks BLK1, ..., BLKi, ..., BLKn are loaded without contact into a memory of the portable object;
 - the loading of the blocks BLK1, ..., BLK[2]i, ..., BLKn is interrupted during the loading of a block BLKi;
 - the loading of the blocks is resumed from block BLKi; and
 - each block BLKi loaded is counted in the portable object.
- means FLG of the portable object indicate to a transmitting device EMj the loading state FLG = Y or nonloading state FLG = N of the portable object.

2. (Canceled) Method according to any of the preceding claims, characterized in that is also comprises a step in which:

- means FLG of the portable object indicate to a transmitting device Emj the loading state FLG = Y or nonloading state FLG = N of the portable object.

3. (Currently Amended) Method according to claim 1 [or 2], characterized in that [it] the method also comprises the following step[s] in which:

- prior to the resumption of the loading of the block BLKi, the loading or nonloading state of the portable object is verified.